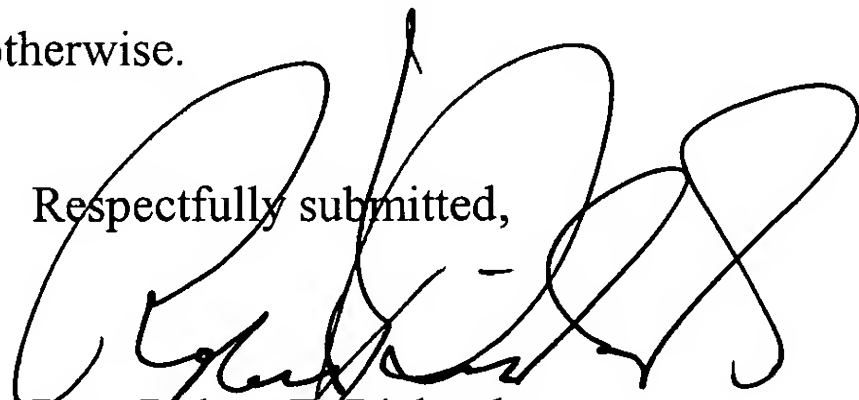


Conclusion:

Applicants respectfully request reconsideration of the present application in view of the foregoing amendment. Applicants submit that all claims are in condition for allowance. Such action is courteously solicited. Applicants further request that the Examiner call the undersigned counsel if allowance of the claims can be facilitated by examiner's amendment, telephone interview or otherwise.

Respectfully submitted,

A large, stylized handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read 'Robert E. Richards', is written over the text 'Respectfully submitted,'.

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